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  3. The Contest Manager's signature must be affixed to votes before same are valid in contest.
  4. Ballots can not be bought. The contest will be conducted on a fair and square basis for all. Votes can be obtained only by securing subscriptions, either prepaid or renewals, or by sending the free ballot from the paper.
  5. No employee of the Gold Leaf or member of his or her family will be allowed to participate in the contest either as a candidate or a voter.
  6. Contestants will not be restricted to any territory, but may secure subscriptions anywhere.
  7. Only one nominating coupon, entitling the nominee to one thousand votes, will be allowed each contestant.
  8. Votes cast on special prizes that will be offered in the contest will also count on the pinno and other prizes. Only votes secured in an advertised time will be counted on special prizes.
  9. Votes can not be transferred to another contestant.
  10. Contestants must agree to accept all rules and conditions.
  11. Any contestant who becomes dissatisfied and tries to create discord in the contest, his or her name will be dropped from the list of contestants.
  12. Any question that may arise between contestants will be settled by the Contest Manager and his decision will be final.
  13. The right is reserved to reject the name of any contestant for cause, also to alter these rules should occasion demand it.
  14. Under no condition will the nominator's name be divulged.
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Nov. 29, 1911.

CONTEST MANAGER.

I nominate M..... as a contestant in

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Nominator.

Only one nomination will be allowed each contestant. The name of the nominator will not be divulged.

## THE NORTH CAROLINA M. E. CONFERENCE.

Seventy-Sixth Annual Session  
Held at Kinston the Past Week  
—Proceedings of the Session.

The seventy-sixth annual session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened with Queen Street church at Kinston on Wednesday morning of last week with Bishop Hoss presiding. The attendance of preachers and laymen was very large for the opening session. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Bishop Hoss at the beginning of the conference in accordance with a long established custom.

The conference roll was called by Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, assistant secretary of the last conference. R. H. Willis was unanimously elected secretary of the conference. Several prominent visitors were introduced. Standing committees were then announced. The character of the nine presiding elders was then passed and they made their reports, these showing highly satisfactory progress along all lines of the work of the Church.

Rev. J. D. Hammond delivered an address to the conference in the interest of Paine College that was interesting and instructive. He pleaded especially for Southern people to recognize their duty to the negro, they being more capable of solving the negro problem than people from any other section of the country. He spoke also of the improvements to be made at Paine College, the adding of a missionary training school to the industrial and literary courses now taught. The conference contributed \$124 in cash to this school, this being the largest amount any conference has so far contributed. The time of the morning session was extended to allow Dr. Hammond to speak.

On Thursday morning, after a number of visitors had been introduced to the conference, the characters of the preachers in the Fayetteville, New Bern, Warrenton, Washington, Rockingham and Wilmington districts were passed and their reports submitted. Few infant baptisms were reported, and Bishop Hoss urged upon the preachers to see that the children in their pastoral charges were baptized.

Rev. A. J. Lamar, D. D., spoke to the conference again on the publishing interests of the Church. Rev. L. S. Massey was elected a trustee of the Methodist Orphanage in place of T. N. Ivey, the latter having moved to Tennessee. N. H. D. Wilson was elected a trustee of Trinity College in place of W. L. Cunniggin, deceased.

The hour of 11:30 having arrived, the other business of the conference was suspended in order that the conference memorial services might be observed, that being the order of the day for that hour. During the past year four preachers have died, and their memoirs were read in the following order: Rev. R. H. Broom read the memoir of Rev. J. E. Bristowe; Rev. R. C. Beaman read the memoir of Rev. M. M. McFarland; Rev. J. N. Cole read the memoir of Rev. W. L. Cunniggin; Rev. E. McWhorter read the memoir of Rev. J. C. Reynolds. After the memoirs were read and adopted verbal tributes to the life and worth of the deceased were paid by several of the conference.

After this service conference resumed regular business. On motion, the name of N. M. McFarland was referred to the committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation. On motion, G. B. Webster was granted an honorable location, at his own request. Bishop Hoss urged the preachers not to relegate to the laity all of the financial work of the Church, saying it is a good thing for preachers to look after a part of this themselves.

There is nothing that can be reported during the session of the annual conference that can give the satisfaction to the conference that results from the affirmative answer to the twenty-second question. The entire conference rejoices more when the affirmative answer can be inscribed in the minutes answering the question, "Are all preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" than it does over any report of advancement along any line of church work. The session of the North Carolina Conference Thursday witnessed the conclusion of the call of this question, except in the cases of the undergraduates,

and every preacher was declared to be blameless in his life and official administration.

At Friday morning's session four preachers were admitted on trial, namely: R. E. L. Edwards and R. E. Pittman, from the New Bern district; N. B. Stricklin, from the Raleigh district, and R. H. Hasty, from the Rockingham district. A great deal of routine business was transacted at this session.

The order of the day for 10:30 o'clock was the reception of a class of candidates into full connection. This class consisted of the following named preachers: Frank Culbreth, G. H. Biggs, R. L. Carraway, T. M. Grant and M. W. Dargan. Question 4 was called, "Who are admitted into full connection?" and the above named were received.

Question 10 was called, "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" and the class received into full connection were so elected. Rev. W. G. Bates spoke to the conference in the interest of the American Bible Society. Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, president of Greensboro Female College, was introduced to the conference.

During the session of the conference this morning Bishop Kilgo twice addressed the body. Bishop Hoss presented him formally to the conference shortly after the opening of the session. Bishop Kilgo expressed himself as being delighted to be present at this, which he designated as being the greatest conference in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He said that since he had been going around among the conferences he found they were all great, but the North Carolina Conference was the greatest of all.

Two sessions of the conference were held Saturday. A large part of the morning session was occupied with an unusually lively discussion of the report of the committee on temperance, Bishop Hoss taking a leading part in it.

A resolution was offered and adopted instructing the secretary to send the greetings of the conference to the Methodist Protestant Conference in session at Henderson. Bishop Hoss stated that he hoped the members of this conference would cultivate more the members of the Methodist Protestant Church. They are a good people, he said, and it will be to your advantage to cultivate them. It is becoming more and more apparent that the principles for which they struggled so stoutly in the past were right.

J. N. Cole presented the report of the committee on the Representative Church, which is to be built in Washington City as the representative of Southern Methodism. The report recommended that this conference contribute \$5,000 toward the building of this church within the next four years. It also recommended that D. H. Tuttle be named as the special agent of this fund. By special request, ex-Governor Jarvis addressed the conference in the interest of the Representative Church. This was one of the strongest addresses delivered before the conference.

The next business was the selection of a place for the next annual session of the conference to be held. Wilmington, Henderson and Fayetteville were placed in nomination, and the latter place was chosen.

Rev. J. E. Underwood offered a resolution recommending that the conference go on record as endorsing the work of the Anti-Saloon League and this resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

The following program was adopted to be observed for the celebration of the anniversaries for future conferences: Tuesday evening, opening sermon; Wednesday afternoon, meeting of historical society, Wednesday night, Sunday school anniversary; Thursday night, church extension; Friday night, board of education; Saturday night, missions; Sunday afternoon, Epworth League anniversary.

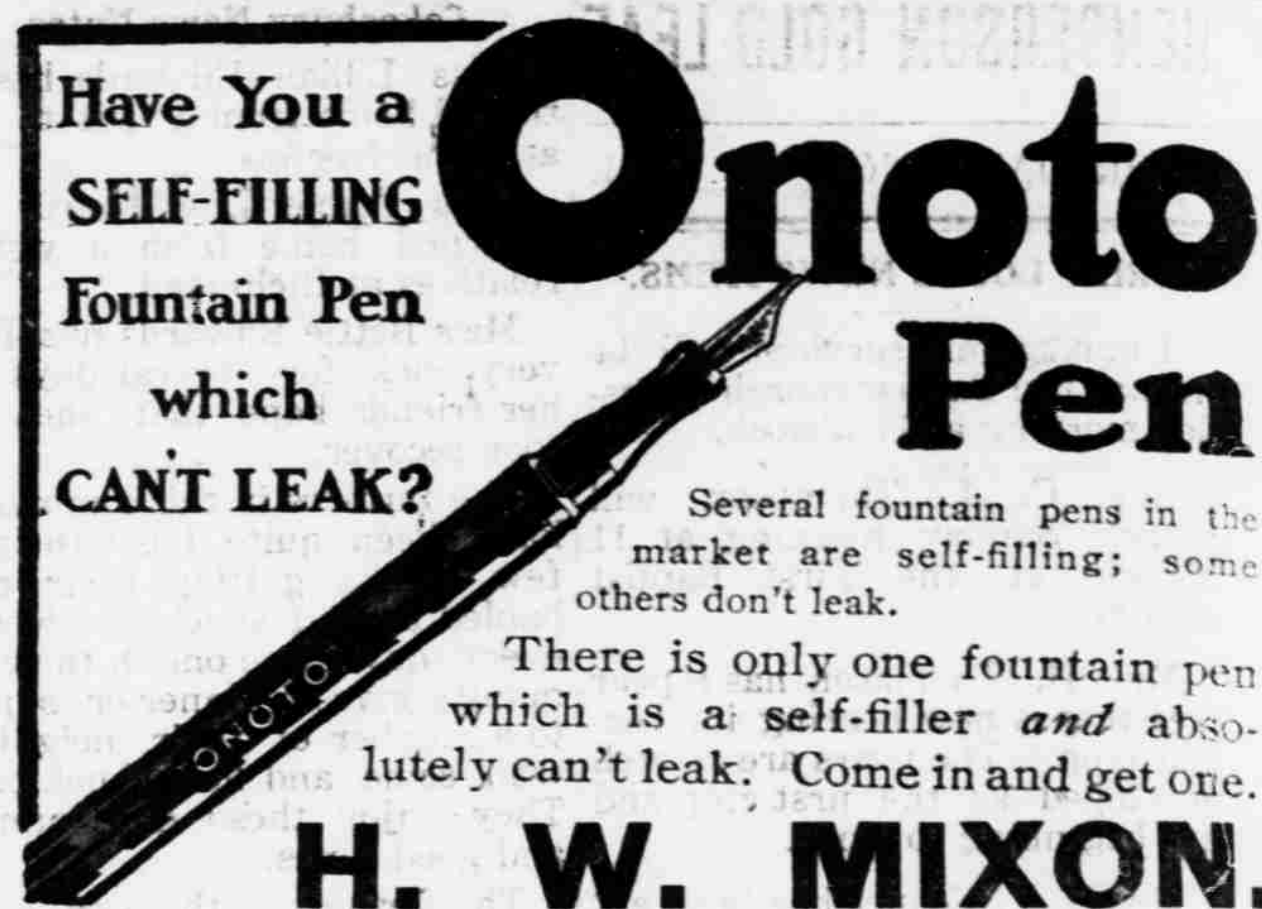
The report of the orphanage was read. L. S. Massey was elected in place of T. N. Ivey.

The afternoon session was principally taken up with reports and resolutions. The following reports were read and adopted: Committee on books and periodicals, board of church extension, joint board of finance, committee on district conference records, the board of missions and the committee on Sabbath observance.

Dr. T. N. Ivey spoke for The Christian Advocate. Mrs. Robinson, president of Greensboro Female College, spoke in the interest of the college. C. E. Weatherly of Faison was elected conference leader.

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